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1. IN A CONVERSATION TODAY WITH PLCOUNS, DANISH EC PRESIDENCY
CHIEF, JORGEN BOJER, ADDED SOME DETAILS TO WHAT WE KNOW ABOUT THE
POLITICAL DISCUSSIONS THAT WILL TAKE PLACE DURING THE APRIL 7-8
EUROPEAN COUNCIL (HEADS OF GOVERNMENT) MEETING IN COPENHAGEN.

BOJER SAID THAT HIS COMMENTS WERE BASED ON DISCUSSIONS EN MARGE DURING THE APRIL 4 MEETING OF EC FOREIGN MINISTERS ON COMMUNITY MATTERS IN LUXEMBOURG. BOJER OBSERVED THAT THE TOTAL TIME GIVEN TO "POLITICAL" QUESTIONS DURING THE APRIL 7-8 MEETING WOULD BE LIMITED SINCE BY FAR THE GREATEST ATTENTION WILL BE DEVOTED TO ECONOMIC MATTERS. THE PRIMARY VENUE FOR THESE POLITICAL DISCUSSIONS WILL BE THE APRIL 7 EVENING DINNER MEETING AMONG CHIEFS OF GOVERNMENT AT MARIENBORG, A MANOR HOUSE ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF COPENHAGEN.

2. BOJER SAID THAT IT SEEMED CLEAR THAT PRINCIPAL POLITICAL TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED ARE THE MIDDLE EAST, AFRICA, AND BELGRADE CSCE. "TERRORISM" HAS BEEN ADDED TO THESE THREE, AND BOJER EXPECTS THAT A STATEMENT WILL BE ISSUED SPECIFICALLY CONDEMNING THE ABDUCTION OF ALDO MORO.

3. MIDDLE EAST

BOJER EXPECTS AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS BUT REPEATED THE BELIEF EXPRESSED IN REFS C AND D THAT THE NINE WILL ISSUE NO NEW STATEMENT OR TAKE NO NEW INITIATIVE.

4. AFRICA

AGAIN AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON THE PRESENT SITUATION IN NAMIBIA, RHODESIA AND THE HORN. CHIEFS OF GOVERNMENT ARE EXPECTED TO PAY

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PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO THE EAST-WEST IMPLICATIONS THAT HAVE ARKISEN IN THE HORN. THE COUNCIL WILL PROBABLY ALSO AGREE TO EXPRESS THE SUPPORT OF THE NINE FOR THE INITIATIVES OF THE WESTERN FIVE ON NAMIBIA.

5. BELGRADE-CSCE

ALSO ONLY AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS. BOJER OBSERVED THAT IT WAS BELIEVED TO BE TOO LATE FOR A SUBSTANTIVE EC STATEMENT ON BELGRADE AND TOO EARLY FOR MADRID.

6. BOJER RECALLED THAT TRADITIONALLY NO WRITTEN COMMUNIQUE IS PRODUCED AT THE CONCLUSION OF A SUMMIT WHICH IS EXPECTED TO WIND UP WITH LUNCH APRIL 8. INSTEAD, THE HOST CHIEF OF GOVERNMENT, IN THIS CASE PRIME MINISTER ANKER JORGENSEN, WILL HOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE. BOJER SAID HE REALLY DID NOT KNOW HOW MUCH DETAIL JORGENSEN WOULD GO INTO ON THE POLITICAL MATTERS DISCUSSED. THIS WOULD DEPEND ON THE MANDATE HE RECEIVED FROM HIS COLLEAGUES.
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